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RECASTING OF AGRICULTURAL POLICY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether bad infrastructural planning, lack of coordination between production and distribution, inadequate marketing and storage capacity and the recent unwanted imports of palm oil and sugar and some other agricultural commodities has forced the farmers to commit suicides; and

(b) if so, the steps the Government propose to take to recast the agricultural policy to make it more pro-farmer and agro-rural and enable the farmers to face stiff global competition?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.